

CHAPTER CIII.

AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE MONEYS TO PAY THE EXPENSES OF THE DEFENDANTS IN ERROR INCURRED, OR WHICH MAY BE INCURRED, IN DEFENDING IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES, THE CASE OF THE WINONA AND ST. PETER RAILROAD COMPANY, PLAINTIFFS IN ERROR, AGAINST JOHN D. BLAKE, ALFRED D. LEET, AND STEPHEN V. CROUCH, DEFENDANTS IN ERROR NOW PENDING IN THAT COURT UPON WRIT OF ERROR TO THE SUPREME COURT OF THIS STATE.

Preamble.

WHEREAS, No substantial pecuniary interests are directly involved in said suit, but the same has been commenced and prosecuted through all the courts of this state by the defendants in error therein, solely for the purpose of testing the constitutionality of chapter twenty-four, general laws, eighteen hundred and seventy-one, of this state, entitled "an act to regulate the carrying of freight and passengers on all railroads of this state," and,

WHEREAS, All the questions involved in said suit directly affect the interests of this state, and of all its citizens, and a decision of such questions adversely to the defendants in error therein would inflict serious detriment to this state, and to all its citizens.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

Appropriation
to defray expen-
ses of defending
suit in U.S. court

SECTION 1. There is hereby appropriated out of any moneys in the public treasury of this state, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of three thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary to defray the expenses of the defendants in error, incurred, or which may be incurred, in defending in the supreme court of the United States, the case of the Winona and St. Peter Railroad Company, plaintiff in error, against John D. Blake, Alfred D. Leet and Stephen V. Crouch, defendants in error, now pending in that court upon writ of error to the supreme court of this state.

SEC. 2. The moneys hereby appropriated shall be paid to the said defendants in error, or to their counsel

in said suit, from time to time, as the same may be needed for the purposes aforesaid upon the order of the governor, which shall be granted upon it being made to appear to such officer that the amount applied for is necessary for such purposes.

How money to be applied.

SEC. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

When act to take effect.

Approved February 24, 1874.

CHAPTER CIV.

AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE MONEY FOR THE PURPOSE OF VENTILATING THE SENATE CHAMBER AND THE HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, AND FOR RENT OF GOVERNOR'S HOUSE.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

SECTION 1. That the sum of fifteen hundred dollars, or so much of it as may be necessary, be and is hereby appropriated to be expended by direction of the governor for the purpose of constructing for open [proper] ventilating apparatus for the senate chamber and hall of the house of representatives.

Appropriation for ventilating capitol.

SEC. 2. That the sum of eight hundred dollars is hereby appropriated for rent of governor's house.

For rent of governor's house.

SEC. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

When act to take effect.

Approved March 6, 1874.

CHAPTER CV.

AN ACT TO AID THE DESTITUTE SETTLERS UPON THE FRONTIER, AND TO APPROPRIATE MONEYS THEREFOR.